



IFW

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroto KOBAYASHI

Group Art Unit: 1733

Application No.: 10/558,886

Examiner: G. KNABLE

Filed: February 16, 2006

Docket No.: 126192

For: CONNECTION DEVICE FOR TIRE-BUILDING DRUM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. One or more reference cited herein was cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the European search report is attached for the Examiner's information. See References 2-10.
- ☒ 3. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of any U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.
- ☒ 4. An English language Abstract of one or more non-English language reference is attached. See References 3, 4, 6, 8 and 9.
- ☒ 5. A computer-generated English language translation of one or more Japanese Patent Publication cited herein has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See Reference 6.

- ☒ 6. Reference 1 corresponds to reference 3.

Respectfully submitted,



James A. Oliff

Registration No. 27,075

Jeffrey R. Bousquet

Registration No. 57,771

JAO:JRB/ejw

Date: July 30, 2007

OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC
P.O. Box 19928
Alexandria, Virginia 22320
Telephone: (703) 836-6400

**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE
AUTHORIZATION**

Please grant any extension
necessary for entry;

Charge any fee due to our
Deposit Account No. 15-0461



Sheet 1 of 1

Form PTO-1449 (REV. 1/06) INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (Use several sheets if necessary)	US Dept. of Commerce PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTY DOCKET NO. 126192	APPLICATION NO. 10/558,886
	APPLICANT(S) Hiroto KOBAYASHI		
	FILING DATE February 16, 2006	GROUP 1733	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number	Date	Name
	1	5,665,001	09/09/1997	JACOB et al.

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number	Date	Country	With English Abstract	With English Translation
	2	EP 0 379 009 A2	07/25/1990	EUROPE		
	3	DE 44 19 342 C1	07/06/1995	GERMANY	X	
	4	DE 197 46 394 A1	04/22/1999	GERMANY	X	
	5	GB 1 202 238	08/12/1970	GREAT BRITAIN		
	6	JP A 2002-18974	01/22/2002	JAPAN	X	X
	7	GB 2 226 869 A	07/11/1990	GREAT BRITAIN		
	8	DE 38 36 764 A1	06/01/1989	GERMANY	X	
	9	JP A 59-126115	07/20/1984	JAPAN	X	
	10	SU 812 651	03/15/1981	SOVIET UNION		

OTHER DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
----------	-----------------

Examiner: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Date: July 30, 2007